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TRANSMITTAL FOR INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the concurrently submitted Form PTO/SB/08a. Copies of the foreign patent documents are provided.

This Information Disclosure Statement is to submit documents cited in an Office Action in a counterpart Japanese application.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents may be found, *inter alia*, in the English language abstracts attached thereto. Furthermore, the concise explanation of relevance for JP 2000-171763 and JP 2001-523819 may be found, respectively, in related U.S. Patent Nos. 6,236,033 B1 and 5,994,150, which are already of

record in the present case. Also, the concise explanation of relevance for JP 2003-515737 may be found in related U.S. Patent No. 7,384,797 B1.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a written confirmation be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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